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KHMER REPRESENTATION AT GA--

FRIENDLY ASIANS DECIDED TIME ARRIVED FOR OVERT SUPPORT FOR DEFERMENT OF KHMER QUESTION AND ARE ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN ENSURING SUCH PROPOSAL IS MADE. ACCORDING TO THAIS, ETHIOPIAN REP SAID CHINESE PRESSED HIM TO VOTE AGAINST DEFERMENT, ARGUING ETHIOPIA SHOULD SUPPORT PRC POSITION SINCE PRC SUPPORTED ETHIOPIA IN ITS DISAGREEMENT WITH SOMALIA, BUT ETHIOPIAN REP PERSONALLY FAVORS DEFERMENT AND RECOMMENDED IT TO HIS GOVT.

MALAWI REP CONFIRMED HIS DEL WILL VOTE AGAINST PRO-SIHANOUK RES AND SUPPORT DEFERMENT. ICELANDIC REP INSTRUCTED ABSTAIN ON BOTH SUBSTANCE AND POSSIBLE DEFERMENT MOVE. ROSSIDES (CYPRUS) THOUGHT DEFERMENT LOGICAL STEP, BUT SDIA HE COULD NOT MAKE DECISION IN NY ON ISSUE AS HE HAD ON OTHER ISSUES IN PAST. YAGUIBOU (UPPER VOLTA) SEEMED SINCERELY CONVINCED DEFERMENT WAS BEST ROUTE FOR HANDLING ISSUE, AND SO RECOMMENDED TO HIS CAPITAL. HE REPORTED MANY (UNSPECIFIED) AFRICAN DELS ALSO HAVE RESERVATIONS ON PRO-SIHANOUK RES AND IS CONVINCED THEY WOULD PROMPTLY SUPPORT DEFERMENT IF IT IS PROPOSED. (CONFIDENTIAL-USUN'S 5308-10, 5322, 5337, 5338)

MEMORIAL CEMETERY IN KOREA--

FOLLOWING PROLONGED DISCUSSION, REPS OF COUNTRIES WHOSE MEN INTERRED IN UN CEMETERY IN KOREA AGREED: DUTCH SHOULD APPROACH USYG DAVIDSON TO REQUEST DELETION OF ITEM FROM UN BUDGET, AND REPRESENTATIVE GROUP FROM CEMETERY COMITE ADVISE SYG ALONG SUCH LINES; ROK REP PROVIDE SYG WITH LETTER CONTAINING GUARANTEE ROKG WOULD FULFILL ITS TREATY OBLIGATIONS AND ASSUME MAINTENANCE COSTS DURING 4974. GROUP ALSO AGREED DISCUSSIONS SHOULD START PROMPTLY ON QUESTION OF REACHING AGREEMENT ON SHARING OF COSTS. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE --USUN'S 5314)

OUTER SPACE--
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OUTER SPACE COMITE MEMBERS AGREED DEC. 3 ON TEXT OF OMNIBUS OUTER SPACE RES AFTER EXTENSIVE DISCUSSION THEN AND NOV. 30. DESCRIPTION OF ERS QUESTIONNAIRE TO BE REVISED SO AS TO PARALLEL MORE PRECISELY LANGUAGE OF SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL SUBCOMITE REPORT. SOVIETS MAY STILL HAVE DIFFICULTY WITH "QUESTION OF" IN DBS PARA ASKING LEGAL SUBCOMITE CONSIDER "QESTION OF ELABORATING PRINCIPLES FOR DIRECT TV

BROADCASTING". THEY HAD LENGTHY BILATERAL WITH USDEL
LATE NOV. 30 ON IT, BUT DEC. 3 SAID THEY WOULD FOR TIME BEING
"RESERVE POSITION" AND WOULD NOT OBJECT TO INCLUSION IN
OMNIBUS RES OF LANGUAGE BASED ON OSC REPORT CONSENSUS
(WHICH INCLUDES "QUESTION OF"). SOVIETS ALSO AGREED TO FRENCH
SUGGESTION CALLING FOR PROPOSALS ON OSC ENLARGEMENT TAKING
INTO ACCOUNT CHAIRMAN'S CONSULTATIONS. CHAIRMAN'S QUESTIONS
SHOWED US, UK, CANADA, BRAZIL, SWEDEN, ITALY AND JAPAN
ABLE COSPONSOR OMNIBUS TEXT. (CONFIDENTIAL--USUN'S 5298, 5316)

AREEIC AS UN LANGUAGE--

SECRETARIAT ESTIMATE OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS OF PROPOSED
INCLUSION OF ARABIC AMONG OFFICIAL AND WORKING LANGUAGES
OF GA AND ITS COMITES AND SUBCOMITES IS \$2,984,000.
IN ADDITION PROVISION OF SUMMARY RECORDS IN ARABIC WOULD
COST \$994,000, AND VERBATIM RECORDS WITH SOME ADDITIONAL
RECORDING AND SOUND TRANSCRIPTION EQUIPMENT \$338,000.
US-SUGGESTED PAY-AS-YOU-GO PLAN GOT NOWHERE, WEO'S
FINDING CONCEPT "CLEVER, BUT IMPRACTICAL", AND ARABS
REACTING POLITELY BUT WITHOUT FURTHER INTEREST.
(LIMITED OFFICIAL USE--USUN'S 5344)

PROTECTION OF DIPLOMATS--

CONSIDERATION OF COMPROMISE PROPOSAL FOR PROTECTION OF
DIPLOMATS CONVENTION CONTINUED DEC. 1 AND 3. AFRICANS
PROPOSED CHANGES WHICH US AND UK FOUND UNACCEPTABLE, AND
LATER DEC. 3 USDEL INFORMED COMITE 6 CHAIRMAN USG COULD
NOT ACCEPT "COMPROMISE" AND PREFERRED POSTPONEMENT TO VOTING
ON IT. UK THEN SUGGESTED: "IT IS UNDERSTANDING OF COMITE
THAT NOTHING IN RES IS INTENDED TO SUGGEST THAT THERE MAY
BE CASES IN WHICH IT IS LEGITIMATE TO COMMIT ANY OF CRIMES
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REFERRED TO IN ART. 2. OF CONVENTION". MALI REP PROMISED
TO CONSIDER IT, AND BRITISH WILL CONTINUE ACTIVE CONSULTATIONS
ON IT DEC. 4. WEO GROUP AGREED IF ENTIRE PACKAGE PUT
TO VOTE ALL COULD VOTE YES OR ABSTAIN. ALL OPPOSED,
WITH DIFFERING DEGREES OF VIGOR, HAVING MERELY RES WITHOUT
RESERVATIONS ARTICLE AND IT WAS DECIDED UK AND OTHERS
WOULD ATTEMPT TO PREVENT THIS GOING TO VOTE AND WOULD SEEK
POSTPONEMENT OF CONVENTION INSTEAD. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE--
USUN'S 5303, 5324, 5350)

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AFRICAN QUESTIONS IN SC--

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REPORTEDLY SC WILL BE ASKED TO TAKE UP QUESTION OF NAMIBIA
WEEK OF DEC. 10 AND QUESTION OF GUINEA (B) WEEK OF DEC. 17.
(LIMITED OFFICIAL USE--USUN'S 5339)

US DOLLAR AND UN BUDGET CURRENCY--

CUBANS TABLED DRAFT RES ON CURRENCY INSTABILITY AND UN,
AFTER REPORTEDLY HAVING UNSUCCESSFULLY SOUGHT COSPONSORS
FOR OVER A WEEK. INITIAL SOUNDINGS SUGGEST MOST DELS RELUCTANT
OPEN DEBATE ON SUCH COMPLICATED SUBJECT SO NEAR CLOSE
TO GA. AUSTRALIAN, NZ, DUTCH AND PAKISTANI DELS
WERE IN FAVOR OF FRG SUGGESTION TO INTRODUCE SHORT RES
REFERRING TO JUNE 1974 IMF MEETING ON CURRENCY INSTABILITY
AND RECOMMENDING INSCRIPTION OF ITEM ON 29TH GA AGENDA
TO TAKE ACCOUNT OF IMF RESULTS. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE--
USUN'S 5347)

UNTSO OPERATIONS OFFICER POSITION--

SECRETARIAT OFFICIAL INFORMED MISOFF SECRETARIAT DECIDED
"RECOGNIZE" UNTSO HDQRS STAFF AND AS CONSEQUENCE OPERATIONS
OFFICER POSITION (HELD BY US) WOULD GO TO OFFICER FROM
NEUTRAL COUNTRY AND US AND USSR WOULD BE REQUESTED ASSIGN
NO OFFICERS (OTHER THAN ONE COLONEL EACH) ABOVE RANK OF MAJOR.
IN RESPONSE TO QUERY, HE SAID IDEA OF ASSIGNING NEUTRAL
ORIGINATED WITHIN SECRETARIAT AND SOVIETS HAD
BEEN "PRICKING" SYG CONSTANTLY ABOUT ALLEGED US INFLUENCE
IN HDQRS.

LATER, ASYG URQUHART MADE CLEAR TO AMB SCHAUFEL UN'S
POSITION HAD NOT YET PROGRESSED THAT FAR, SAID UN
EMINENTLY PLEASED WITH US OPERATIONS OFFICER AND WOULD
LIKE TO FIND WAY TO KEEP HIM, AND PROBLEM RAISED IN FIRST
INSTANCE BY MALIK'S COMPLAINT TO SYG ABOUT "AMERICAN
INFLUENCE" IN UNTSO THROUGH UN HDQRS IN NY. WALDHEIM
QUERIED SPECIAL POLITICAL AFFAIRS WHICH REPLIED NEGATIVELY
BUT APPARENTLY INTERPRETED MALIK'S COMPLAINT TO MEAN
UNTSO HDQRS RATHER THAN UN HDQRS. URQUHART SPECULATED ABOUT
POSSIBILITY OF FINDING SOME FACE-SAVING POSITION FOR
SOVIET OFFICER IN ISMAELIA HDQRS TO BALANCE US OPERATIONS
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OFFICER POSITION. (CONFIDENTIAL--USUN'S 5329, 5346)

HUMAN RIGHTS IN ARMED CONFLICTS

WITH RESPECT TO KENYAN AMENDMENT TO RES ON HR IN ARMED
CONFLICTS, BLIX (SWEDEN) SUGGESTED ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE
IN RETURN FOR KENYAN AGREEMENT TO WITHDRAW AMENDMENT.

BETTAUER TOLD HIM US COULD PROBABLY ABSTAIN ON SWEDISH LANGUAGE AND VOTE FOR RES AS WHOLE. UAE PROPOSED AMENDMENT WHICH WOULD CALL ON ALL PARTIES TO ARMED CONFLICTS TO ACKNOWLEDGE AND COMPLY WITH THEIR OBLIGATIONS UNDER HUMANITARIAN INSTRUMENTS, AND WEO'S AGREED IT BE HARD NOT TO VOTE FOR IT. ON KENYAN AMENDMENT, BELGIUM PREFERS ABSTAIN BUT CAN VOTE FOR IT IF MAJORITY WEO'S DO; NETHERLANDS PREFERS AFFIRMATIVE VOTE BUT PERMITTED ABSTAIN IF IT WOULD BE ISOLATED. TURKEY, NORWAY, NZ AND AUSTRIA WILL ABSTAIN.

THOUGH UNINSTRUCTED, UK, NETHERLANDS, FRG, AUSTRIA AND US EXPECT VOTE AGAINST RES (L. 969) ON "BASIC PRINCIPLES OF LEGAL STATUS OF COMBATANTS STRUGGLING AGAINST COLONIAL AND ALIEN DOMINATION AND RACIST REGIMES." FOLLOWING EXPECT ABSTAIN: NORWAY, DENMARK, TURKEY, AUSTRALIA, BELGIUM, ITALY, NZ, CANADA. DELOFF MADE STRONG PITCH FOR SOLID WEO OPPOSITION, AND AUSTRIA AND UK AGREED. DUTCH THOUGHT HAGUE WOULD FAVOR ATTEMPT TO IMPROVE DRAFT, I.E., THAT HAGUE WOULD BE SYMPATHETIC TO MAKING DISTINCTION BETWEEN ORDINARY CIVIL WARS AND WARS OF NATIONAL LIBERATION. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE--USUN'S 5351)

STRENGTHENING INTERNATIONAL SECURITY--

TWO SIS RESES BEING CIRCULATED INFORMALLY, ONE BELIEVED TO BE SOVIET-SPONSORED AND SECOND NON-ALIGNED. VOTE MAY BE DEC. 4. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE--USUN'S 5325)

ECLA DEVELOPMENTS--

ECLA EX SEC'Y IGLESIAS SAID THAT IN COURSE RECENT VISIT TO SOVIET UNION, SOVIETS OFFICIALLY REQUESTED FULL MEMBERSHIP IN ECLA. HE ALSO HAD REQUESTS FROM JAPAN, SPAIN, SWEDEN, CONFIDENTIAL

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ITALY AND FRG, AND HIS INCLINATION WAS TO ASK ECOSOC TO GIVE THEM ALL FULL MEMBERSHIP SINCE HE BELIEVED THEY HAD "SPECIAL TIES" WITH LA. MISOFF POINTED OUT "SPECIAL TIES" OF SOME MENTIONED RATHER TENUOUS. IGLESIAS SAID FRG AND SWEDEN EXPRESSED INTEREST IN MAKING LARGE FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO ECLA, WHILE SOVIETS PROMISED NONE BUT ASKED THAT HE HIRE ADDITIONAL SOVIETS. HE SAID HE RECEIVED 15 SOVIET CANDIDATES FOR ADDITIONAL ECLA POSTS AND FOUND QUALIFICATIONS UNIFORMLY APPALLING. HE MAINTAINS THERE WILL BE NO LA RESISTANCE TO NEW ECLA-ILPES RELATIONSHIP, MEXICAN OPPOSITION HAVING COLLAPSED. (CONFIDENTIAL--USUN'S 5333)

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